

CALFED Bay-Delta Program Project Information Form
Watershed Program – Full Proposal Cover Sheet

Attach to the cover of the full proposal. All applicants must fill out this Information Form for their proposal. Failure to answer these questions and include them with the application will result in the application being considered nonresponsive and not considered for funding.

1. Full Proposal Title: Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)-CALFED Task Force
Concept proposal Title/Number: ABAG-CALFED Task Force, WSP01-0097
Applicant: Association of Bay Area Governments
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Applicant Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2050, Oakland, CA 94064-2050
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Fiscal Agent Name (if different from above): Joseph Chan, Finance Director, ABAG
Fiscal Agent Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2050, Oakland, CA 94064-2050
Fiscal Agent Telephone: 510-464-7900 Fiscal Agent Fax: 510-464-7980 Fiscal Agent email: josephc@abag.ca.gov
2. Type of Project: Indicate the primary topic for which you are applying (check only one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Capacity Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Outreach
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Implementation	<input type="checkbox"/> Research
3. Type of Applicant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Institution/University	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit
<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Party
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Venture	<input type="checkbox"/> State Agency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Tribe of Tribal Government
4. Location (including County): Oakland, California, Alameda County

What major watershed is the project primarily located in:

<input type="checkbox"/> Klamath River (Coast and Cascade Ranges)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sacramento River (Coast, Cascade, and Sierra Ranges)
<input type="checkbox"/> San Joaquin River (Coast and Sierra Ranges)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bay-Delta (Coast and Sierra Ranges)
<input type="checkbox"/> Southern CA (Coast and Sierra Ranges)
<input type="checkbox"/> Tulare Basin (Coast, Sierra, and Tehachapi Ranges)
5. Amount of funding requested: \$326,800 (over 2 years)
Cost share/in-kind partners ☒ Yes ☐ No
Identify partners and the amount contributed by each:

ABAG in kind services \$41,600 (over 2 years)

Local agency inkind services \$62,150 (over 2 years)
6. Have you received funding from CALFED before: ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, identify project title and source of funds:

San Francisco Estuary Project - # 97-N11 and # ERP-01-N13 both for Demonstration Project for the Protection and Enhancement of Delta In-Channel (Planning and Permitting/Construction and Maintenance respectively)

By signing below, the applicant declares the following:

1. The truthfulness of all representations in the proposal
2. The individual signing this form is entitled to submit the application on behalf of the applicant (if applicant is an entity or an organization)
3. The person submitting the application has read and understood the conflict of interest and confidentiality discussion in the Watershed Program Proposal Solicitation Package and waives any and all rights to privacy and confidentiality of the proposal on behalf of the applicant, to the extent provided in the Proposal Solicitation Package.

Eugene Y. Leong, Executive Director, Association of Bay Area Governments

Printed name of applicant

Signature of applicant

April 20, 2001

Ms. Suzan Ryder
Clearinghouse Coordinator
Association of Bay Area Governments
P. O. Box 2050
Oakland, CA 94604-2050

Ref: Application to CALFED
ABAG-CALFED Task Force

Dear Ms. Ryder:

The purpose of this letter is to request formal clearinghouse action on our application to CALFED for a grant on behalf of the Association of Bay Area Government (ABAG) and participating local agencies.

The project location covers the nine-county Bay Area. The requested funds will be used to help establish a task force of local government agencies to collaborate on the future of water management efforts, including watershed protection, in the Bay-Delta. The task force will also conduct public outreach activities with interested stakeholders on the watershed protection issues.

The total project budget is \$430,550, of which \$326,800 is to come from the CALFED, and the remaining funds from ABAG and local agencies as a local match. A copy of the application form is attached. If you would like more information, please contact Jennifer Krebs of my staff at (510) 464-7977. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Eugene Y. Leong
Executive Director

CALFED Watershed Program
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155
Sacramento, CA 95814

April 26, 2001

Dear CALFED Watershed Program Staff and Grant Reviewers,

The next few years are key in establishing the relationship between CALFED and the regional interests of Californians as regards our water use, watershed protection efforts, and planning issues. The attached grant proposal for the ABAG-CALFED task force is designed to build a strong ABAG-CALFED connection. Bay Area elected officials will meet regularly over two years to create and implement a cohesive statement of goals, programs and policies that mesh with CALFED goals.

ABAG looks forward to working with CALFED over the next two years on this project. Over the years, ABAG has worked on many initiatives involving diverse coalitions to solve environmental problems. An ongoing collaboration with CALFED will enhance our efforts on ongoing projects, including the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development, Bay Area Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application, and San Francisco Estuary Project Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan. The two-year scope of work outlined in this grant proposal will vastly strengthen the ongoing initiatives. Your leadership and sponsorship of this effort is appreciated.

The total project budget is \$430,550, of which \$326,800 is to come from the CALFED, and the remaining funds from local participants. ABAG is providing an in-kind match of \$41,600; participating local agencies will contribute \$62,150 of in-kind services. ABAG is the regional council of governments for the nine-county, 100-city Bay Area. Because of the project scope, duration, goals and objectives, we hope to have widespread local participation. ABAG will comply with the Standard State Terms and Conditions, as we have done with previous grants from the State of California. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (510) 464-7910 (email - eugenel@abag.ca.gov) or Jennifer Krebs of my staff at 510-464-7977 (email - jenniferk@abag.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Eugene Y. Leong
Executive Director

Environmental Information Form

Successful applicants are responsible for complying with all applicable laws and regulations for their projects, including the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

NEPA/CEQA

Any necessary NEPA or CEQA documents for an approved project must tier from the CALFED Programmatic EIS/EIR. Approved projects must incorporate mitigation strategies listed in Appendix A of the CALFED Programmatic Record of Decision to avoid or minimize the projects adverse environmental impacts. Applicants are encouraged to review the Programmatic EIS/EIR and incorporate the applicable mitigation strategies from Appendix A of the Programmatic Record of Decision in developing their projects and the NEPA/CEQA documents for their projects.

1. Will this project require compliance with CEQA, NEPA, or both? Yes X No _____
2. If you checked no to question 1, please explain why compliance is not required for the actions in this proposal>
3. If the project will require CEQA and/or NEPA compliance, identify the lead agency(ies).

CEQA Lead Agency Department of Water Resources

NEPA Lead Agency _____

4. Please check which type of document will be prepared.

CEQA	NEPA
Categorical Exemption <u>X</u>	Categorical Exclusion _____
Initial Study _____	Environmental Assessment/FONSI _____
EIR _____	EIS _____

5. If you anticipate relying on either or both the Categorical Exemption or Categorical Exclusion for this project, please specifically identify the exemption and/or exclusion that covers this project. (Example: Fish and Wildlife Service Manual at 516 DM 6 Appendix 1.4 Categorical Exclusions Section B Resources Management: (1) Research, inventory, and information collection activities directly related to the conservation of fish and wildlife resources.)

Title 14 California Code of Regulations, Article 19, Section 15307 describes Class 7 categorical exemptions to CEQA – for Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources. The project will not involve any ground-breaking activities. Rather a variety of planning documents and public outreach activities will be implemented.

6. If the CEQA/NEPA process is not complete, please describe the estimated timelines for the process and the expected date of completion.

na

7. If the CEQA/NEPA document has been completed:

na

What is the name of the document? _____

Please attach a copy of the CEQA/NEPA document to the application.

Environmental Permitting and Approvals

Successful applicants must tier their project's permitting from the CALFED Record of Decision and attachments providing programmatic guidance on complying with the state and federal endangered species acts, the Coastal Zone Management Act, and sections 404 and 401 of the Clean Water Act. The CALFED Program will provide assistance with project permitting through its newly established permit clearing house.

Please indicate what permits or other approvals may be required for the activities contained in your proposal and which have already been obtained. Please check all that apply.

LOCAL PERMITS AND APPROVALS	Needed?	Obtained?
Conditional use permit	No	
Variance	No	
Subdivision Map Act	No	
Grading permit	No	
General plan amendment	No	
Specific plan approval	No	
Rezone	No	
Williamson Act Contract cancellation	No	
Other	No	
STATE PERMITS AND APPROVALS	Needed?	Obtained?
Scientific collecting permit	No	
CESA compliance: 2081	No	
CESA compliance: NCCP	No	
1601/03	No	
CWA 401 certification	No	
Coastal development permit	No	
Reclamation Board approval	No	
Notification of DPC or BCDC	No	
Other	No	
FEDERAL PERMITS AND APPROVALS	Needed?	Obtained?
ESA compliance Section 7 consultation	No	
ESA compliance Section 10 permit	No	
Rivers and Harbors Act	No	
CWA 404	No	
Other	No	

PERMISSION TO ACCESS PROPERTY		
Permission to access city, county or other local agency land. If yes, indicate the name of the agency:_____	No	
Permission to access state land. If yes, indicate the name of the agency:_____	No	
Permission to access federal land. If yes, indicate the name of the agency:_____	No	
Permission to access private land. If yes, indicate the name of the agency:_____	No	

**CALFED BAY-DELTA PROGRAM
PROPOSAL SOLICITATION PACKAGE
LAND USE CHECKLIST**

All applicants must fill out this Land Use Checklist for their proposal. Applications must contain answers to the following questions to be responsive and to be considered for funding. Failure to answer these questions and include them with the application will result in the application being considered nonresponsive and not considered for funding.

1) Do the actions in the proposal involve physical changes in the land use? Yes NoX

a) If you answered yes to # 1, describe what actions will occur on the land involved in the proposal?

b) If you answered no to # 1, explain what type of actions are involved in the proposal (i.e., research only, planning only).

Planning, inter-governmental coordination, and public outreach only.

2) How many acres of land will be subject to a land use change under the proposal? 0

3) What is the current land use of the area subject to a land use change under the proposal? What is the current zoning and general plan designation(s) for the property? Does the current land use involve agricultural production?

na

- a) Current land use _____
b) Current zoning _____
c) Current general plan designation _____
d) Does current use involve agricultural production? YES NOX

4) Is the land subject to a land use change in the proposal currently under a Williamson Act contract?
YES NO x

5) What is the proposed land use of the area subject to a land use change under the proposal? no

6) Will the applicant acquire any land under the proposal, either in fee or through a conservation easement? YES NO x

a) If you answered yes to # 6, describe the number of acres that will be acquired and whether the acquisition will be of fee title or a conservation easement:

- b) Total number of acres to be acquired under proposal _____
c) Number of acres to be acquired in fee _____
d) Number of acres to be subject to conservation easement _____

7) For all lands subject to a land use change under the proposal, describe what entity or organization will manage the property and provide operations and maintenance services.

NA

- 8) Will the applicant require access across public or private property that the applicant does not own to accomplish the activities in the proposal? Yes No ☒ x
- a) If yes, the applicant must attach written permission for access from the relevant property owner(s). Failure to include written permission for access may result in disqualification of the proposal during the review process. Research and monitoring field projects for which specific sites have not been identified will be required to provide access needs and permission for access within 30 days of notification of approval.
- 9) For land acquisitions (fee title or easements), will existing water rights be acquired? Yes No ☒ x
- 10) Does the applicant propose any modifications to the water right or change in the delivery of the water? Yes No ☒ x
- a) If yes to #10, please describe the modifications or changes.

**CALFED Watershed Program
Budget and Project Summary
Budget Breakdown
& Cost-Sharing**

The Excel Spreadsheets from CALFED are on the following four pages, followed by five pages explaining ABAG's Indirect Cost Plan.

As regards COST SHARING, this proposal requests \$326,800 from CALFED. This will be matched by in-kind services at ABAG (\$41,600) and local governments around the Bay (\$62,150). The percentage financial shares of the total project budget are CALFED - 76%, ABAG - 10%, Local Agencies - 14%

ABAG's match of 10% will be grant and contract management, reporting/presentations, and the project website development and maintenance services. This project includes the following types of local matches:

- a) Public agency staff people attending public outreach/educational events (100 agency staff people attending two events each lasting two hours),
- b) Public agency staff people briefing elected officials and/or attending Task Force meetings with elected officials to better integrate local concerns and Task Force initiatives (ten agency staff people working with elected officials 25 hours per year over two years).

1. Describe your project, its underlying assumptions, expected outcomes, timetable for completion and general methodology or process. (3 pages)

Elected officials in the San Francisco Bay Area have a long-term interest in collaborating with CALFED to ensure the health of the Bay environment and resolve a wide array of water management issues. The Association of Bay Area Governments' (ABAG) Executive Board voted in November 2000 to work to establish the ABAG-CALFED Task Force. The Task Force met for the first time in January 2001. This proposal to the CALFED Watershed Program is to staff and support the Task Force for its first two years. The project goals for the first two years of the task force are to:

- Convene the Task Force – with members representing the Bay Area geographically and various viewpoints on water issues - at least quarterly
- Educate elected officials and public agency officials on CALFED's programs and the need to integrate watershed protection into planning issues
- Align CALFED goals and objectives with local projects affecting Bay Area watersheds
- Ensure that discussions about water reach a broader audience than has historically happened in the Bay Area – this goal includes such principles as bringing agricultural interests to talk to urban water policy decision makers and collaborating with watershed protection groups doing work in urban neighborhoods and/or doing outreach to people of color

Because the Task Force is new, there is no interagency funding agreement. CALFED's financial support of the Task Force would help us carry out the following tasks and deliverables over two years. All of the tasks are succinct and would be carried out concurrently. Progress in achieving sub-tasks will be reported on a quarterly basis to CALFED. The expected outcome of this effort would be a strong collaborative relationship between CALFED and Bay Area water stakeholders. Watershed protection programs – small- and large-scale, in the Bay-Delta and throughout California, and short- and long-term – will be better known and better supported by such a relationship.

Task 1. Project Administration

ABAG will provide a part-time project manager with solid regulatory experience and understanding of CALFED, local public agencies, and local water agency goals and objectives for water management. Jennifer Krebs, a Senior Environmental Planner with ABAG since 1995, will:

- Develop a project work plan in consultation with CALFED's project officer
- Contract with consultant(s)
- Ensure all project tasks are completed in a timely fashion and on budget

Deliverables over two years:

- 1a. ABAG project management
- 1b. Contracting with consultants
- 1c. Contracting, invoicing, and reporting to CALFED

Task 2. Establish and Convene Task Force

ABAG's project manager will be the lead on this task. It is anticipated that the Task Force will meet at least quarterly over two years. It is also anticipated that ABAG jurisdictions will be interested in the work of the Task Force and want updates. Such updates will be to the ABAG Executive Board and possibly General Assembly. Over 100 local governments participate at ABAG in a wide variety of committees sponsoring planning projects. The project manager will ensure that all Task Force projects will be presented to all interested committees, and that concerns of these committees are transmitted to the Task Force. The project manager will:

- Prepare ABAG-CALFED Task Force meeting agendas and minutes
- Ensure that documents requested by the Task Force are prepared by a consultant(s) or CALFED staff

- Inform Task Force members of meetings in Sacramento and/or other CALFED meetings to attend
- Ensure ABAG committees are apprised of Task Force efforts
- Coordinate public outreach efforts of the task force with those of other agencies/organizations working with CALFED on watershed protection efforts

Deliverables over two years:

- 2a. Minutes from Task Force meetings incorporated into reports to CALFED
- 2b. Minutes from Executive Board, General Assembly or other ABAG committee
- 2c. Task Force recommendations to CALFED
- 2d. Executive Board recommendations to local governments

Task 3. Liaison with CALFED in Sacramento

Representatives from the Task Force will attend CALFED meetings as necessary to present Task Force opinions and listen to CALFED opinions. ABAG staff will work with local government staff as well as CALFED staff who are working on CALFED implementation issues. This liaison function is key to ensure the establishment of joint goals and progress towards those goals. Dependant on the type of CALFED meeting, the Task Force might send as a representative a Task Force member, the ABAG project manager, ABAG public outreach staff, or a consultant.

Deliverables over two years:

- 3a. Attending CALFED meetings in Sacramento
- 3b. Writing memos for Task Force on CALFED issues

Task 4. Integration of CALFED Goals with On-Going Regional and Local Programs

In this task, major Bay Area stakeholders and members of the ABAG-CALFED Task Force will develop and oversee implementation of the Bay Area CALFED regional strategy and objectives. Mary Selkirk, of the California Center for Public Dispute Resolution, is currently working to develop such a strategy and objectives under a separate funding arrangement. Under Watershed Program grant funding, any uncompleted aspects of this strategy would be completed. Further Ms. Selkirk would work with stakeholders to develop an Issues and Interest Assessment for Bay Area regional water quality, water supply reliability and land use decision-making. Development of this assessment will involve: interviewing stakeholders to determine a collaborative negotiation process on integrating regional water quality, regional water supply reliability, and land-use decision making. This process will seek include diverse Bay Area stakeholders – from agricultural interests, to water agencies, to local governments, to environmental protection groups.

Deliverables over two years:

- 4a. Completion of regional strategy
- 4b. Reports to the ABAG CALFED Task Force and CALFED Policy Group
- 4c. Completion of issues and interests assessment analysis and recommendations
- 4d. Package of agreements for linking and integrating water quality actions, water supply reliability actions, and linking these with land-use decision making.

Task 5. Public Involvement

ABAG will assign a public outreach coordinator from our communications group for the project. This person will be tasked with coordinating with Bay Area organizations – public, private, and non-profit – working on water issues, particularly watershed protection issues. The public outreach efforts envisioned in this grant will promote CALFED watershed program objectives in the Bay Area. The outreach coordinator will:

- Develop materials – a brochure, PowerPoint presentation, website, etc. – about the Task Force-CALFED collaboration

- Attend Bay Area conferences and get the word out about the Task Force and CALFED
- Sponsor, cosponsor, and/or make presentations at appropriate public events. Such events might include watershed educational seminars/conferences, sustainable development conferences, scientific conferences such as the State of the Estuary Conference.

ABAG has a well-established framework for public outreach, through its existing programs, web site and regularly scheduled conferences, such as San Francisco Estuary Project's biennial State of the Estuary Conference and Merritt College's Watershed Conference scheduled for Fall 2002. We can use these existing projects to build strong connections to local leadership and the many diverse community interest groups. We envision a multifaceted approach that will involve elected officials, local agency personnel, and environmental groups, including those promoting Environmental Justice issues.

Deliverables over two years:

- 5a. On line and printed project brochures
- 5b. PowerPoint presentation on the Task Force and its involvement with CALFED
- 5c. Sponsorship or co-sponsorship of public outreach events promoting watershed protection and/or education on water management issues
- 5d. Lists of conferences attended and presentations made
- 5e. Programs from sponsored events, and reports of issues discussed

Task 6. Maintain Website

ABAG will maintain a publicly accessible Internet Web site. ABAG has already begun work on this web site; it should be live by the end of April 2001. Interested parties will be able to download ABAG-CALFED documents as well as CALFED documents. ABAG will also have a list serve available so the public can be notified about the status of activities. The web site also allows for the public to have 24-hour access to ask questions regarding ABAG, the nine Bay Area Counties, and the CALFED process.

Deliverables over two years:

- 6a. Quarterly website updates with documents,
- 6b. Listserve updates emailed to participant on topics of interest

Task 7. Project Evaluation, Reporting

ABAG's project manager, consultants, and staff involved with the project will complete quarterly progress reports for CALFED as a condition of the grant. Further at the conclusion of the project, a final report will be issued covering the above tasks and milestones and the success in completing them as anticipated. The Task Force will receive this report, as well as ABAG's Executive Board, CALFED and other interested parties. The methods of evaluating the project are discussed in response to question 5.

Deliverables over two years:

- 7a. Quarterly progress reports: progress reports on project implementation, including financial status, milestones reached, products completed and general assessment of overall progress, including problems encountered or anticipated
- 7b. Draft final report: Draft report summarizing the project implementation, achievements, product deliveries, financial status. To be sent to the Contract Manager for review and comment
- 7c. Final report: revised report, incorporating comments from the contract manager and others
- 7d. Presentations: Delivering at least one final summary presentation to CALFED

2. Describe your qualifications and readiness to implement the proposed project. (2 pages)
 - a. Describe the level of institutional structure, ability and experience to administer funds and conduct the project. Identify the fiscal agent responsible for handling the funds.
 - b. Describe technical support available (including support needed for environmental compliance and permitting) to begin and complete the project in a timely manner.
 - c. List any previous projects of this type you or your partners have implemented, funded either by CALFED or other programs

ABAG has already begun the task of convening the ABAG-CALFED task force. The group met on January 29, 2001 and will meet again on April 30, 2001. ABAG has assigned a project manager to staff the Task Force. A Task Force web site will be active by the end of April 2001. Further, ABAG has relationships with qualified environmental consultants throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. For this proposal, ABAG will partner with Mary Selkirk. Mary Selkirk will provide technical review of documents to ensure continuity with CALFED documents and work to align CALFED and Bay Area water initiatives. A list of current Task Force members and resumes for key staff is included in the response to Question 8.

ABAG is owned and operated by the cities and counties of the San Francisco Bay Area. It was established in 1961 to protect local control, plan for the future, and promote cooperation on area-wide issues. ABAG's operations are directed by an Executive Board composed of 38 elected officials from member cities and counties. Much of ABAG's work is carried on by committees appointed by the Executive Board, including joint committees with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. Advisory committees and task forces are appointed from time to time to oversee special programs in areas such as air quality, water quality, energy, and economic development. All meetings are open to the public. The ABAG-CALFED Task Force members are appointed by ABAG's Executive Board.

Through its role as an association of cities and counties, ABAG has been designated by the state and federal governments as the official comprehensive planning agency for the Bay Area. With this designation, ABAG is uniquely situated to be the forum for local organizations to come together to address major regional watershed land use issues and to work with CALFED to ensure that a Bay Area voice is represented with the CALFED process. ABAG has a staff of roughly 20 land use and environmental planners. A Senior Planner at ABAG will act as staff to the ABAG CALFED Task Force and grant project manager.

ABAG has been a fiscal agent in many collaborative efforts receiving grant funding. ABAG also assists local governments by pooling resources to keep local government costs low in areas such as workers compensation and ABAG Pooled Liability Assurance Network (PLAN) Corporation. The PLAN is a non-profit corporation whose purpose is to benefit the citizens of each member community by establishing a stable, cost-effective self-insurance, risk sharing and risk management program for each member. ABAG Financial Services Department offers a full range of programs to public and private borrowers in the municipal capital markets. Financings issued by ABAG include: conduit revenue bonds, general municipal credit obligations, tax increment bonds, Mello-Roos and Special Assessment Bonds, general capital financing and low-cost alternatives to vendor financing. Borrowers include cities, counties, special districts and other local government entities, hospitals, private universities, private schools, nonprofit housing and healthcare organizations, housing partnerships and private businesses.

The public outreach efforts envisioned in this grant will promote CALFED watershed objectives in the Bay Area. ABAG sponsors workshops and conferences where local officials, business and industry leaders, special interest groups, and private citizens can discuss programs, regulations, and legislation affecting their communities. The public outreach component of this proposal fits squarely within this function at ABAG – ABAG has a public affairs staff of four people, one of whom will be assigned to this project over two years.

ABAG is the parent organization of the San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP). SFEP was formed in 1987 as a cooperative federal/state/local program to promote effective management of the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary. In addition to spearheading and participating in a wide variety of projects, the SFEP also serves as a clearinghouse for information on the Bay-Delta ecosystem, including such topics as wetlands, wildlife, aquatic resources and land use.

A collaborative project with ABAG and the San Francisco Estuary Project resulted in the development of the Bay Area Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA). This is a unified application form and instructions to assist people needing permits for a wide variety of building projects adjacent to creeks, the bay, wetlands, etc. JARPA has been in use in the nine-county Bay Area for approximately one year. Roughly 20 projects have received permits by the Army Corps of Engineers, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, the Bay Conservation and Development Corporation, and other agencies since last spring. ABAG and SFEP staff are currently running a JARPA permit center to track the success of the application form and assist applicants. This center is funded by a grant from US EPA.

San Francisco Estuary Project has received two awards from CALFED. The Demonstration Project for the Protection and Enhancement of Delta In-Channel Islands (Planning and Permitting) CALFED Project # 97-N11 is completed (\$270,000). The Demonstration Project for the Protection and Enhancement of Delta In-Channel Islands (Construction and Monitoring) CALFED Project # ERP-01-N13 (\$928,150) has been awarded by CALFED and is in negotiation with National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. It will be up and running in June 2001.

3. Provide a completed budget cost sheet and describe the basis for determining project costs, including comparisons with other similar projects, salary comparisons and other listed costs. Include all costs of environmental compliance such as CEQA and/or NEPA, and permits. Describe how the approach to achieving the stated goals of the project demonstrates an effective cost relative to its anticipated benefits. (2 pages)

ABAG has completed the excel spreadsheets requested by CALFED to explain the proposed project budget. They are attached to the proposal along with an explanation of ABAG's Indirect Cost Plan. ABAG is a public agency and as such, salary and benefit costs are comparable with similar job classifications in other public agencies. The ABAG indirect cost plan, and overhead, is federally approved, and is based upon salary. (The salaries listed on the budget sheets include the overhead rate of each staff person).

ABAG is providing an in-kind match of 10%. This match will cover grant and contract management, reporting/presentations, and the project website. Local agencies will be providing an in-kind match of 14%. This project includes the following types of local matches:

- a) public agency staff people attending public outreach/educational events (100 agency staff people attending two events each lasting two hours)
- b) public agency staff people briefing elected officials and/or attending Task Force meetings with elected officials to better integrate local concerns and Task Force initiatives (ten agency staff people working with elected officials 25 hours per year over two years).

ABAG understands that all projects funded by the CALFED Watershed Program are required to comply with CALFED's EIR/EIS. The ABAG-CALFED Task Force does not envision any ground-breaking activities as part of its scope of work. This project will claim Categorical Exemption from CEQA (see the response to question 7) and does not anticipate the need for funds to prepare a CEQA document.

Aligning Bay Area and CALFED goals and priorities may potentially reduce the time it takes for future watershed protection projects to be implemented. This may translate to cost savings for project permitting later. Furthermore, watershed protection projects permitted using the Bay Area JARPA application can save applicants permitting time and ensure compliance with agency permit requirements. The ABAG-CALFED Task Force will recommend the use of JARPA for watershed protection project applicants.

While initiating a Task Force takes time and capital, bringing Bay Area water interests to the same table on an ongoing basis replicates the CALFED process locally. It is hoped that a synergy will develop between the CALFED process and the ABAG-CALFED Task Force that benefits both projects. In the long run, the success of both projects may lead to cost-effective and environmentally protective resolutions for water management issues.

4. Describe the technical feasibility of the proposed project. (2 PAGES)
 - a. Describe any similarity to previous implemented successful project
 - b. If the project proposes a new approach or new method with a high likelihood of adding new knowledge and/or techniques, or with the potential to fill identified gaps in existing knowledge, describe how it will do so, and what monitoring components will provide substantiation of results.
 - c. Explain how the finished project will be maintained as necessary, and to what degree it may require continued funding from outside the community

ABAG has experience setting up a variety of task forces. A few successful and ongoing projects at ABAG include:

The Bay Area Dioxins Project. This project was initiated in the fall of 1999, after city and county governments around the Bay Area adopted resolutions calling for the elimination of dioxin compounds. These cities and counties came to ABAG asking for help convening a forum to assist with dioxins reduction activities. The main goals of the Bay Area Dioxins Task Force are: pool local governments' knowledge and resources to study the problems of dioxins and recommend possible solutions or actions for local governments around the San Francisco Bay; coordinate efforts with state, federal and regional agencies working on dioxins pollution and conduct public outreach events to community groups and the general public regarding new information on dioxins research and/or control measures. ABAG has received grant funding from US EPA to assist local governments in their efforts to reduce dioxins emissions.

Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development. ABAG serves as the representative for local governments on the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development, a multi-stakeholder coalition established in 1997 to develop and implement an action plan that will lead to a more sustainable region.

Inter-Regional Partnership. The IRP, formed in 1998, is a partnership between fifteen elected officials representing five counties—San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Alameda, Contra Costa and Santa Clara. Through the IRP, local representatives can bridge jurisdictional boundaries to forge cooperative solutions to shared problems, such as: the geographic separation of housing and employment; mounting traffic and air pollution; and growth. The Stanislaus Council of Governments, the San Joaquin Council of Governments, and ABAG provide staffing, financial support and regional expertise.

Bay Area Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application. The JARPA project objective is to design, and assist public agencies in adopting and implementing, a simplified permit application for development activities in or near Bay Area aquatic environments. JARPA is a collaborative project between ABAG and the San Francisco Estuary Project. It was established in 1998.

The Bay Area Dioxins Project and the Alliance for Sustainable Development involve working with organizations promoting Environmental Justice Goals. The connections made with these organizations will transfer to the ABAG-CALFED Task Force.

Successful projects have diverse and ongoing criteria to measure success. This project will be evaluated quarterly by the project manager as part of reporting to CALFED. Some measures of success include:

- Consensus on water issues brought to the Task Force
- Better coordination between CALFED Watershed goals and Bay Area water initiatives
- Integration of Environmental Justice issues into water management issues in the Bay Area
- Ability of Bay Area elected officials to engage local and state decision makers in CALFED issues and processes

- A regional forum of diverse stakeholders, including agricultural interests, to participate in decision-making regarding water management issues and coordination of watershed protection projects

These criteria, and others put forward by the Task Force, will be discussed with the grant monitor at CALFED to ensure that all parties can evaluate the project's success.

An ongoing Task Force will require ongoing funding. During these first two years, the Task Force will explore on-going funding alternatives. Grant support for an on-going Task Force would be an unlikely alternative.

5. Describe how the monitoring component of the project will determine the effectiveness of project implementation and assist the project proponent and CALFED with adaptive management processes. (3 pages)
 - a. Identify performance measures appropriate for the stated goals and objectives of the project.
 - b. Describe how this project will coordinate with and support other local and regional monitoring efforts.
 - c. Provide a description of any citizen monitoring programs that will be part of this project.
 - d. What monitoring protocols will be used, and are they widely accepted as standard protocols?
 - e. Describe how the type and manner of data collection and analysis will be useful for informing local decision-making?

The ABAG-CALFED proposes 18 performance measures linked to CALFED and task force goals (see the table below). These performance measures do not involve the collection of water quality data. However, as described in the public involvement task, the Task Force would seek to coordinate the dissemination of the results of others to local environmental groups, public agency staff, and the general public. Similarly, environmental data will be presented to local elected officials at Task Force meetings.

Currently there is no effective partnership between CALFED and the Bay Area community. The ABAG Task Force will provide an identified group of local government staff to represent the entire Bay Area. Benefits of the ABAG-CALFED Task Force include increased collaboration and integration among existing and future local watershed programs; pooling of scientific information and resources; reduction of conflicts between participants; increased opportunities to bring stakeholders together on a regular basis.

Benefits of the Task Force can be measured both quantitatively and qualitatively. The performance measures in the table below are indicative of the types of indicators of success possible in this project. ABAG staff will work with CALFED to ensure that a complete list acceptable to CALFED are selected and evaluated in quarterly reports.

Task	Goals	Performance Measures/Success Criteria
1 Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A well -run project that integrates seamlessly with contractors and CALFED 	1. Quarterly reports, billing sent to CALFED in a timely manner
2 Convene the Task Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote CALFED Watershed Program Goals to local elected officials Expand Bay Area dialogue on water policies in a productive fashion 	2. Task Force meetings well attended 3. Task Force meetings have substantive discussions 4. Task Force improves communication with CALFED over Bay Area watershed management issues 5. Elected officials more educated on CALFED issues relevant to the Bay Area, particularly watershed program goals
3 Liaison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish joint goals for CALFED and the Bay Area 	6. Improved communication between CALFED and Bay Area local governments 7. Improved communication between Bay Area local governments and water districts 8. Feeling of local buy-in to CALFED objectives through participation in process
4. Integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional integration of 	9. Buy-in and implementation of Regional

	CALFED watershed, water quality, water management, and ecosystem restoration goals and objectives	Strategy 10. Completion of assessment and establishment and co-facilitation of ongoing functional collaborative, if conditions call for such an effort.
5. Public Involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage local agency staff in the complexities of watershed protection efforts Promote watershed protection efforts in permitting 	11. Sponsor and help produce at least six public workshops on topics related to CALFED 12. Develop project brochure 13. Develop project PowerPoint presentation 14. Workshop summaries to be posted on website
6. Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have a round-the-clock method of being updated on the Task Force, CALFED, and related events 	15. Quarterly website updates over two years 16. On-line registration for events
7. Evaluation/Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update CALFED on progress of achieving grant goals 	17. Thorough project evaluation 18. Record of project success

6. If this project is to develop specific watershed conservation, maintenance or restoration actions, describe the scientific basis for the action(s) described in the proposal. Include the following: (2 pages)
 - a. Any assessment of watershed conditions that has already be developed by you or others
 - b. Previous assessment(s) used to establish your project goals and objectives, or to inform the basic assumptions of your proposal.
 - c. A description of the scientific assumptions used to develop the project goals, objectives and proposed actions and the degree to which those assumptions are widely accepted (both in the science community as a whole, and in the watershed community).
 - d. A discussion of how the proposed actions are (are not) consistent with the scientific assumptions and previous assessments completed in the watershed.
 - e. A description of what baseline knowledge was used to support the management actions described in the proposal, or the likelihood that the management actions will generate more robust baseline knowledge.

This project will not develop its own conservation, maintenance or restoration actions; however, it will support and promote such projects within the nine-county Bay Area. This will take place through two vehicles – 1) public outreach efforts to the general public and public agency staff (Task 5); and 2) educational efforts to elected officials on the Task Force (Task 2).

In addition to our public outreach/education efforts to promote watershed protection, San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP) and ABAG will help administer CALFED's Science Program. Because of the administrative link between CALFED Science and SFEP, our staff will be current on the state of watershed protection scientific studies. We will be able to promote advancements in a timely fashion. Some of these advancements may come in the form of new performance measures and/or monitoring protocols. Two ongoing venues for promoting watershed protection science are SFEP's State of the Estuary Conference and Friends of the Estuary meetings.

SFEP has been intimately involved and/or written a number of groundbreaking watershed documents, including the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan and the Baylands Ecosystem Goals Project. Both of these documents are considered scientifically well designed as well as practical. Similarly, SFEP is housed in the same offices as the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board. SFEP staff are aware of the status of the Board's Basin Plan, as well as other regulatory initiatives such as Total Maximum Daily Load science. Members of Friends of the Estuary and the Regional Water Quality Control Board are also members of the Task Force. All of these linkages will promote scientific advances in the field of watershed protection as they are developed.

Lastly, ABAG will try to institutionalize local watershed issues throughout the planning processes. These principles include water conservation, conjunctive use and water recycling, as well as flood control and water quality issues. ABAG will work with public agency staffs to ensure they understand the science behind watershed protection so they are more able to integrate effective watershed protection efforts as they permit building projects. The Bay Area Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA) has this as a project goal. ABAG and SFEP have been developing and promoting JARPA for two years.

7. (2 pages)

- a. How will the proposal address multiple CALFED objectives (see Section I) in an integrated fashion, with emphasis on water supply reliability, water quality, ecosystem quality, and levee stability objectives CALFED has established for Stage 1 of the program.
- b. Explain how the proposal will help define and illustrate relationships between watershed processes (including human elements), watershed management, and the primary goals and objective of the CALFED (see Section I).
- c. Identify a lead agency for environmental compliance, such as CEQA or NEPA. Describe the program's strategy and timetable on environmental compliance.

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program encompasses a multitude of environmental restoration and water management actions to restore the health of the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary. As the problems that CALFED is trying to address have taken over a century to develop, solving these problems will take an extended effort with many partners.

The ABAG-CALFED task force will serve as a primary conduit of regional implementation strategies for CALFED. CALFED's Goals for the Bay Area, as presented by CALFED at the January 29, 2001 meeting of the Task Force include:

- Improve ecosystem health and fish abundance through multiple restoration actions in the Bay and upstream tributary watersheds,
- Enhance Bay Area urban drinking water quality and reliability while protecting aquatic resources in the Delta
- Improve water quality through better pollution control, better treatment technologies and regional water quality projects
- Enhance water supply reliability through aggressive conservation, recycling, regional interconnections and the water transfers market

As the Task Force will bring together diverse interests – from elected officials, to water agency officials, to agricultural and environmental interests – to problem solve complex and difficult issues. ABAG will work together with CALFED staff to try to frame issues succinctly with the goal of achieving consensus on goals and then actions. Where actions seems to conflict with pre-existing agency priorities and/or regulations, Task Force members will be called upon to problem solve. Some potential areas of conflict include: water blending, water supply, and methods to promote water conservation. The solutions may not be obvious, and will likely be very time consuming.

To comply with the conditions set by CALFED for a Watershed Program Grant, the Task Force names the Department of Water Resources, the anticipated grant fiscal agent, as the CEQA lead agency. Title 14 California Code of Regulations, Article 19, Section 15307 describes Class 7 categorical exemptions to CEQA – for Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of Natural Resources. The Task Force claims this exemption to CEQA for activities undertaken under this grant: the project will not involve any ground-breaking activities. Rather, a variety of planning documents and public outreach activities will be implemented.

8. Describe any other important aspects of your program that you could not address in the above items, and that you feel are critical to fully describing your project. (2 pages)

Task Force Draft Goals

Environmental Goal – Improve ecosystem health in the San Francisco Bay and Delta through the environmental restoration priorities included in the

- San Francisco Estuary Project Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan
- San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board Basin Plan
- Baylands Ecosystem Goals Project
- Bay Conservation and Development Commission's Coastal Management Program
- CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Program

Water Management Goals

- Improve linkage between regional water supply reliability planning and local land use decision making to promote sustainable development
- Ensure consistent high quality drinking water for the region while protecting aquatic resources
- Improve water quality through better pollution control, treatment technologies, and regional water quality projects
- Enhance water supply reliability through aggressive conservation, recycling, regional interconnections, and the water transfers market

Regional Integration Goals

- Improve linkage between regional water supply reliability planning and local land use decision making
- Facilitate discussion among Bay Area decision makers concerned about the CALFED process and its integration with Bay Area water/environmental projects/goals currently being pursued
- Facilitate increased communication with other CALFED stakeholders – agricultural water users, rural communities, Delta interests, environmental organizations, non Bay Area M&I users, etc.
- Support the CALFED ROD
- Support CALFED implementation recommendations
- Integrate and coordinate CALFED ecosystem restoration program goals with local and regionally developed goals and programs underway

Funding Goals

- Support Funding for CALFED overall program
- Ensure that the SF Bay receive funding from CALFED at levels sufficient to implement CALFED programs in the San Francisco Bay Area
- Seek resources to convene the task force and promote its goals and objectives

Representation Goals

- Ensure a local government and San Francisco Bay regional voice in the CALFED process, including:
 - Forth-coming legislation aimed at implementation of CALFED policies
 - Bay Area representation on CALFED Committees
 - Appointment of an official Bay Area local government official on the policy group of the proposed new CALFED Bay/Delta Oversight Implementation Commission (SB1115)

Task Force Members at 1/29/01 meeting

John Coleman
John Gioia
Zeke Grader
Stephen Kinsey
Larry Kolb

Jurisdiction

East Bay Municipal Water District
Contra Costa County
Pacific Coast Fishery Association
Marin County
Regional Water Quality Control Board

Pam Nicolai
James Pretti
Bob Raab
Mike Rippey
Greg Zlotnick

Marin Municipal Water District
Contra Costa Water District
Friends of the Estuary
Napa County
Santa Clara Valley Water District

Key Personnel

Jennifer Krebs is project manager for the ABAG-CALFED Task Force. Ms. Krebs is a Senior Environmental Planner for ABAG with experience staffing a wide variety of inter-agency planning projects. Some of these projects include: the Bay Area Dioxins Project, the Bay Area Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application Project, Bay Area Green Business Program, and ABAG/s CUPA Academy. Prior to joining ABAG, Ms. Krebs regulated local businesses for compliance with hazardous materials and stormwater regulations at the City of Berkeley. She has also researched and written Phase I and Phase II site investigations as a consultant. Ms. Krebs has a BSFS in International Affairs from Georgetown University and a MA in geography from San Francisco State University.

Terry Bursztynsky, Director of Environmental Programs, will be responsible for technical oversight and ABAG Online Services for this project. Mr. Bursztynsky's recent duties at ABAG have included: establishment and development of abagOnline, the country's first Internet Web site of a council of governments, directing the agency's programs in environmental matters, organizing the West Coast's oldest hazardous materials conference and tradeshow, HAZMACON, organizing a new conference, Power Matters, about utility deregulation, and directing the ABAG Training Center. He has extensive water quality planning experience. He co-authored a nationally published textbook on erosion control techniques specific to construction sites ***Manual of Standards for Erosion and Sediment Control Measures***. Mr. Bursztynsky has a BS in Engineering and a M.S. in Environmental Engineering

Mary Selkirk is a facilitator and senior mediator with the California Center for Public Dispute Resolution, a joint program of CSU Sacramento and the McGeorge School of Law. Prior to affiliating with the Center for Public Dispute Resolution, Ms. Selkirk served as a special assistant to the Executive Director of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program for over three years, where she coordinated the CALFED Policy Group and the Bay Delta Advisory Council. Ms. Selkirk was one of the original members of the Bay Delta Advisory Council, serving from 1995 to 1997. She has extensive experience in working with multi-stakeholder groups on complex environmental and water policy issues. Ms. Selkirk served as an elected official on the Board of Directors of the East Bay Municipal Utility District from 1995 to 1998. She holds an MA in Psychology from the University of Oregon and a Masters in Public Health from the University of California, Berkeley.

Leah Zippert, Communications Officer for ABAG, has worked in the field of public relations since 1990. She worked as a consultant assisting CAL-EPA, Department of Toxic Substances Control on community relations in the area of hazardous materials and transportation issues. She was also an intern for San Francisco Estuary Project. Ms. Zippert has a BA from Mills College in Economic and Political Analysis.

ABAG has received funding from the State on many previous occasions and will comply with standard terms and conditions.

ABAG-CALFED TASK FORCE
Application # WSP01-0097

PROJECT SUMMARY

Task Description	Labor Rate*	Hours	Total Labor	Supplies	Travel	Materials	Sub-contract**	Match	CALFED	Total
1 Administration	71.5	200	14300					14300		14300
2 Convene the Task Force	71.5	1500	107250	100		500			107850	107850
2a Local agency staff (match)	71.5	500	35750					35750		
3 Liaison	71.5	300	21450		1000	500			22950	22950
4. Integration (Contractor)	100	920	92000		1000		93000	1000	92000	93000
5. Public Involvement	60	1200	72000	16000	1000	15000			104000	104000
5a Local agency staff participation (match)	60	400	24000		2400			26400		26400
6. Website	60	200	12000					12000		12000
7. Reporting/Presentations	71.5	200	14300					14300		14300
Total			393050	16100	5400	16000	93000	103,750	326,800	430,550

*Provide benefits/salary percentage here

40%

ABAG overhead is also included in the Labor Rate (40.28% of labor rate)

**Provide a separate itemized budget using this format for subcontracts

Mary Selkirk - Contractor

Task Description	Labor Rate*	Hours	Total Labor	Supplies	Travel	Materials	Sub-contract**	Match	CALFED	Total
1 Administration			0							
2 Convene the Task Force			0							
3 Liaison			0							
4. Integration	100	920	92000		1000		93000			
5. Public Involvement			0							
6. Website			0							
7. Reporting/Presentations			0							
Total							93000		93000	93000

Local Agency Staff

Task Description	Labor Rate*	Hours	Total Labor	Supplies	Travel	Materials	Sub-contract**	Match	CALFED	Total
1 Administration										
2 Convene the Task Force*	71.5	500	35750					35750		35750
3 Liaison										
4. Integration										
5. Public Involvement**	60	400	24000		2400			26400		26400
6. Website										
7. Reporting/Presentations										
Total	60	400	59750		2400			62150		62150

*10 local government staff meeting with elected representatives for 50 hours over 2 years

**100 agencies participate at ABAG * 2 staff hours (at \$60/hour) * 2 events

ABAG-CALFED TASK FORCE**Application # WSP01-0097****CALFED WATERSHED PROGRAM BUDGET AND PROJECT SUMMARY II**

Task Description	Completion date Month from Project Start	Match funds	CALFED funds	Total
Task 1: Administration: <i>Overview: project oversight, record keeping, contracting, meetings, as necessary to implement the project.</i> <i>1a set up contract with CALFED</i> <i>1b set up contract with consultant</i> <i>1c assign public outreach staff at ABAG</i> Task Product(s): <i>1a. ABAG project management</i> <i>1b. contracting with consultant</i> <i>1c. Contracting, reporting, and invoicing to CALFED</i> Success Criteria: <i>Completing all project tasks on time and on budget</i>	24	\$14,300	0	\$14,300
Task 2: Establish and Convene the Task Force <i>Overview: Hold at least quarterly task force meetings, providing members with quality information to discuss and act on.</i> <i>2a write meeting agendas</i> <i>2b notify task force members of meetings</i> <i>2c write meeting minutes</i> <i>2d prepare materials, make presentations to ABAG Exec. Board and General Assembly, as requested</i> Task Product(s): <i>2a. Minutes from Task Force meetings incorporated into reports to CALFED</i> <i>2b. Minutes from Executive Board, General Assembly or other ABAG committee being</i> <i>2c. Task Force recommendations to CALFED</i> <i>2d. Executive Board recommendations to local governments</i> Success Criteria: <i>discussion</i> <i>support for task force decisions at CALFED</i> <i>support for task force decisions by local governments</i>	24	\$35,750	\$107,850	\$143,600
Task 3: Liaison <i>Overview: the liaison function will ensure the establishment of joint goals and progress towards those goals between CALFED and the Bay Area.</i> <i>3a track CALFED meetings in Sacramento</i> <i>3b assign proper task force member to task of attending meeting</i> <i>3c notify CALFED Sacramento staff of local relevant meetings</i> <i>3d prepare notes and agendas as needed</i> Task Product(s): <i>3a. Bay Area Reps. attend CALFED meetings in Sacramento</i> <i>3b. Memos to Task Force on CALFED issues</i> <i>3c. Memos to CALFED on Task Force issues</i> Success Criteria:	24	0	\$22,950	\$22,950

*better two way communication between the Bay Area local governments and CALFED Processes
 Bay Area local government representation on appropriate CALFED committees
 local agencies feel their voice is heard in Sacramento and buy in to CALFED process*

Task 4: Regional Integration	24	\$1,000	\$92,000	\$93,000
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Overview: assist CALFED Program Managers in developing a public involvement plan for the Bay area that integrates the various CALFED programs including the Watershed, Drinking Water Quality, Delta Improvements, Ecosystem Restoration, Science and Water Management Program elements.

- 4a Develop Bay area CALFED regional strategy and objectives, developed in conjunction with major Bay area stakeholders and members of the ABAG CALFED Task Force*
- 4b Issues and Interest Assessment for Bay area regional water quality , water supply reliability and land use decision-making*

Task Product(s):

- 4a. Completion regional strategy*
- 4b. Reports to the ABAG CALFED Task Force and CALFED Policy Group*
- 4c. Completion of issues and interests assessment analysis and recommendations*
- 4d. Package of agreements for linking and integrating water quality actions, water supply reliability actions and linking these with land-use decision making.*

Task Xd: Success Criteria:

*Buy-in and implementation of Regional Strategy
 Completion of assessment and establishment and co-facilitation of ongoing functional collaborative, if conditions call for such an effort.*

Task 5 Public Involvement	24	\$26,400	\$104,000	\$130,400
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*Overview: Coordinate with Bay Area organizations – public, private, and non-profit – working on water issues, particularly watershed protection issue to promote CALFED watershed program objectives in the Bay Area.
 meet with other Bay Area CALFED Watershed Program*

- 5a Grant recipients doing public involvement work, define goals collaborating with other CALFED grant recipients, plan public*
- 5b outreach activities for two years
 sponsor and produce public outreach events - ABAG's*
- 5c efforts would be geared mainly towards public agency staff*
- 5c produce on line materials on ABAG-CALFED task force*
- 5d produce print materials on ABAG-CALFED task force
 attend various conferences, seminars, programs, etc, and present information about the ABAG-CALFED task force,*
- 5e and its goals and objectives*

Task Product(s):

- 5a. on line and printed project brochures*
- 5b. powerpoint presentation on the Task Force and its involvement with CALFED*
- 5c. sponsorship or co-sponsorship of public outreach events promoting watershed protection and/or education on water management issues*
- 5d. lists of conferences attended and presentations made*
- 5e. programs from sponsored events, and reports of issues discussed*

Success Criteria:

*greater awareness of the CALFED watershed program objectives throughout the BayArea
coordination with organizations promoting environmental justice issues relating to water quality management*

Task 6	Website	24	\$12,000	0	\$12,000
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*Overview: maintain a publicly accessible Internet Web site
quarterly updates of Task Force members, position papers,
6a links to public outreach events, links to CALFED, etc.
update listserve of interested parties in ABAG-CALFED task
6b force
6c on-line registration for public outreach events*

Task Product(s):

*6a. web page updates
6b. List serve updates*

Success Criteria:

*accessibility - information on site useful to a broad interested audience round the clock
good turnout at public outreach events through on-line registrations*

Task 7	Reporting and Presentations	24	\$14,300	0	\$14,300
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*Overview: Quarterly progress reports: Progress reports on project implementation, including financial status, milestones reached, products completed, and general assessment of overall progress, including problems encountered or anticipated.
7a Draft final report: Draft report summarizing the project implementation, achievements, product deliveries, financial status. To be sent to the Contract Manager for review and comment.
7b Final report: Revised report incorporating comments from the Contract Manager and others.
7c Presentations: Delivering at least one final summary presentation to CALFED.
7d*

Task Product(s):

*7a quarterly reports
7b final report
7c power point presentation overheads*

Success Criteria:

*reports submitted on time
project evaluations thorough
Funder, ABAG Executive Board and Task Force feel project was successful
long term project funding secured*